

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Class 9:00 AM
Sunday AM Worship10:00 AM
Sunday PM Worship 6:00 PM
Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 PM

Elders

Eugene Cardinal (602) 942-6373
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(623) 561-5674

Allan Davis (Youth)
(602) 439-5953

Joshua Casselman (Worship)
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Supported Mission Works

Dino Tzanetos;
Athens, Greece

Josh Austin
Navajo Reservation, Keyenta, AZ

Terry Laurence
Navajo Reservation, Ft. Defiance, AZ

Eddison Gruber
Navajo Reservation, Crownpoint NM

Dave Chamberlin (Instructor)
Bear Valley Bible Institute of Denver

Jesus Gonzalez
Agua Prieta, Mexico

Alonso Villalobos
Veracruz Mexico

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Prayer List

- * Oleta is in Thunderbird hospital for observation. She was very dehydrated and had low potassium levels.
- * Max & Rena Proffitt continue to deal with medical problems.
- * Jim Greene is waiting to hear about a second bone marrow transplant. He is no longer taking chemo treatments.
- * Rody is having a rough time with her medication change
- * Kathy Lee, has cancer and is not doing well
- * Laura Mills waiting on results from testing for cancer
- * Stephen Cline is slowly recovering from eye surgery.
- * Christy Roscoe continues to have problems with pain.
- * Ruby Rusell, continues to recover from surgery.
- * Hadleigh Rush is having some personal struggles
- * Charlie Bellows, son of Darrin and Julie Bellows was born 2 ½ months premature and facing numerous medical problems.
- * Virginia Walker recovering from back surgery.
- * Barbara Murphy, various medical problems.
- * Jim Staton has TB, which is affecting his kidneys
- * Tammy & Ashley Avery personal struggles
- * James Harper, Frankie's son is in Afghanistan.
- * The Carpenter Family,
- * Walt Garrison (Jim Weiers step brother) undergoing treatment for cancer

Best Wishes This Week

Michael & Rebecca Dale

Linda Hays

Lois Ellis

Andrea Davis

Alyssa Hayes

August 16 (A)

August 17 (B)

August 20 (B)

August 21 (B)

August 21 (B)

THE GUARDIAN

"Guard my soul and deliver me; Do not let me be ashamed, for I take refuge in Thee." Ps. 25:20

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Fighting Sin

It is the middle of summer and once again, our pool is a lovely shade of green. Every year we battle the green that comes with the heat; every summer we spend exorbitant amounts of money on special chemicals and our filtration system; every swimming season brings the ads for pool service, and every time we swear that we are going to let a professional take over our pool care. Every year we repeat the procedure once again.

Likewise, we battle our sinful desires year after year, and often, it is the very same sin we continue to battle. What are our options? We can give-up and allow sin to overtake us, or we can (as Solomon proclaims) "...hear the conclusion of the whole matter. Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of man" (Ecclesiastes 12:13). Solomon was the wisest man who ever lived; he tried every option, explored every avenue available to man, and in the end, he affirms the only viable option is to listen to the Expert, God, and follow His directions.

Just as we cannot just quit fighting the green pool, allowing the bacteria to take over, so we cannot throw up our hands and allow sin to rule our lives. If we are wise we will allow a skilled professional to care for our pool (saving money in the long run). If we are astute students of God's word, we will allow the Creator and Sustainer of everything to guide us in our battles against sin. Only a madman will continue to act in the same way over and over, yet expect to achieve different results. Let us seek to be wise rather than mad.

Peggy Dale

Welcome to the services of the Church! If you are visiting with us, we appreciate your presence and invite you to stay a few moments after the service so we may have an opportunity to meet you! Please feel free to pick up one of our Visitors Packets in the Foyer.

Unity In Christ

The seriousness of not abiding in the doctrine of Christ is stated in 2 John 9: "Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God." We are commanded to "speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you;" (1 Cor. 1:10). We should be able to do today what the apostle Paul did in his day for he preached the same thing in every church (1 Cor. 4:17). Try that today and see how many churches would permit such.

While most churches profess to follow the Bible, they also have their creeds both written and unwritten. While the doctrine of Christ teaches there is one church (body) in Ephesians 1:22,23 and 4:4, people today teach all churches are right so just "join the church of your choice". There can be no unity in Christ when the Scriptures teach one thing and folk say another. The organization of the church, found in the New Testament, is made up of bishops (elders), deacons, and saints (Philippians 1:1) but "churches" today have elaborate organizational structures with law-making bodies such as conferences, conventions, associations, and synogues. The work of the Lord's church is to minister to needy saints, preach the gospel, and spiritually build up the saints (Ephesians 4:12). "Churches" today have taken on the work of providing recreation and entertainment to cater to the physical part of man and actively involving themselves in political and social reform.

Unity in Christ teaches the necessity of faith (Hebrews 11:6) but doctrines of men teach faith exclusively in their doctrines of "faith only" and a person is saved the moment they believe. James 2:17,24 teaches that "faith only" results in a "dead" faith. The doctrine of Christ teaches that baptism is "for the remission of sins" (Acts 2:38) while doctrines of men teach baptism has nothing to do with being saved. Romans 6:4 and Colossians 2:12 teaches that baptism is being "buried" with Christ but men teach baptism is sprinkling or pouring. The Bible teaches baptism is for those who "believe" (Mark 16:16) and are able to "repent" (Acts 2:38) while churches today practice baptizing infants who are too young to believe the gospel and too young to have sins to repent of.

The New Testament teaches we are to sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs in worship to God (Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16) while today's churches play upon mechanical instruments of music and sing rock gospel, country gospel, bluegrass gospel, and contemporary gospel. There never can be unity in Christ until we are willing to "abide in the doctrine of Christ".

-E.R. Hall, Jr.

(1) Erma Egurrola was baptized into Christ last week. Erma is Josh Caselman's grandmother. Please add her to your directory. 6848 E Edgewater, Scottsdale Az. 85257, 480-945-6951.

(2) A **young married & singles night** is being planned by Jamie Dale and Marry Essary. This will take place August 28th from 5-8 p.m. Child care will be provided. Please see Jamie or Mary for details.

(3) The **Northside Men's Retreat** at the Janeway's cabin is scheduled for September 10th & 11th. A sign up sheet is posted in the foyer.

(4) We have several new missionary reports posted on the bulletin board.

(5) Mt Vernon church of Christ is hosting the **Fall Women's Retreat**, September 10-11, at Copper Basin this year. Please check the bulletin board for more information.

WORTH WATCHING

*Search The Scriptures - KAZI Channel 13 - Sunday - 7:30 a.m.
On the Internet "Gospel Broadcasting Network" - www.gbntv.org*

Northside Calendar

Visit our online calendar at www.northsidechurchofchrist.org/

Crafts: September 5th - Following morning services (Everyone welcome)

Potluck: August 22nd - Evening Finger-food (Everyone welcome)

Ladies Class: Today - 5:00 p.m.

Men's Business Meeting: Today - 5:00 pm.

Elders/Deacons Meeting: August 22nd - 5:00 p.m.

In Touch, this week: Team 4

CD's are available for both morning and evening sermons. See Josh Casselman for more information. *If you requested CD's please be sure to pick your copies up.*

IF YOU HAVE SMALL CHILDREN, INFANT TO 3 YRS OLD, WE PROVIDE AN ATTENDED NURSERY. WE ALSO HAVE A TRAINING ROOM FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE.